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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
14th July 1875.*

No. 367. Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 28th June 1875, No. 366 :—

Report of a Fatal Accident on the Madras Railway.

Collectorate.—Soyamoor village, Gooriattum Taluq, North Arcot. *Railway District, Section and Mile.*—First Division, South-West Line, 97-14. *Date on which the accident occurred.*—5th May 1875. *Nature of the Accident.*—Some earth slipped from the side of a foundation and fell on and killed a cooly named Para Ramen who was working in the foundation. *Nature of assistance afforded.*—The head, neck, and body as far as the waist was uncovered within a minute, and the deceased was entirely extricated from the earth within ten minutes; but he was quite dead before that time. *Occupation of the deceased.*—Cooly. *Gratuity proposed to be given or not.*—The deceased was in the employ of a Contractor who can give a gratuity or not, as he likes, to the family of the deceased. *Reported to the Police authorities.*—Yes, and to the Sub-Magistrate of Gooriattum. *Remarks.*—The authorities held an inquest. A copy of their verdict will be forwarded as soon as received.

(Signed) G. A. F. FRENCH,
Resident Engineer, Protective Works.
GOORIATTUM,
6th May 1875.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways for information.

(Signed) J. W. MELLIS,
for Agent and Manager.

7th May 1875.

The following is the Mazarnamah (or verdict) given on the 5th May 1875 at the inquest held by the undersigned and undermarked in the presence of Bauboo Row, third-class Magistrate of Gooriattum Taluq, on the body of Chalamootoor Para Ramen who met with his death by some slips of earth falling on him while he and another named Kovoosumputt Varathen who was wounded were working in the south foundation of the fourth arch on Contractor Ragavacharry's, works at the Gooriattum bridge situated at the 98th mile, South-West Line, Madras Railway within the limits of Alathoor, Gooriattum.

2. We understand that on the morning of the 5th May at about 8-30 the abovenamed coolies were working in the south foundation, but owing to the excessive flow of water under the south slope a slip of earth 2½ yards long, 1½ yards broad, and 4 yards high slipped down and fell on the coolies who were in the foundation. One of them named Ramen being caught under was wounded all over his body and at last died; the other Kovoosumputt Varathen having been fortunately dragged out by Poodoor Somen who happened to be near him is only suffering from an internal wound caused by the falling of the earth on the right chest. He is now speaking, and we do not fear for his life from the effects of this wound. The earth which slipped appears to have been in good condition and hard when the abovenamed coolies commenced their works at the spot; but, as they went on digging, the earth slipped by the excessive flow of water. This accident which brought death on Ramen and severe wounds to the other can only be attributed to chance and not to the negligence or evil intention of others.

3. The age of the deceased Ramen was 30, of Pariah caste; there is a bruise about 4 inches long on the left chest and another under the arm-pit 4 inches long, caused by the fall of the earth, and blood is pouring out from the right ear. The height of the foundation pit is 13 feet, length 18 feet, breadth 6 feet. It appears that it is from a height of 9 feet the earth slipped, and

To this Mazarnamah was executed.
Representatives of the deceased.
Brother Mooneyan's mark.
Mallee.
Kallaroyen.
Hoossain Sheriff.
Chinna Moonesawmy.
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Munsif Rungiah.
Manniem Chengiah.
Vencatachellum Pillay.
Vencataramiah.
Manniccia Moodelly.
Ragavacharry.
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(Signed) BAUBOO ROW,
Third-class Sub-Magistrate.

(True Translation.)

C. RUTHNASAWMY.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The accident occurred at the Gooriattum bridge, and a statement of the verdict (in Tamil with English translation) found at the inquest is enclosed. This does not impute negligence to any one, and the accident appears to have been caused by the earth becoming saturated with water.

(Signed) W. H. COAKER, Lieutenant, R.E.,
for Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 368. ORDER THEREON, 14th July 1875, No. 1,993.

RAILWAY, No. 30.

RECORDED, and communicated to the
Judicial Department.

(True Extract.)

Offg. Joint Secretary to Government. Major, R.E.,

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Judicial Department.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

accident on the Madras Railway.

Report of State

Collectorate.	Steyamer Village, Gyanathum Taluk, North District.
Railway District Section and Mile.	1st Division South Road Line 97 1/4
Date on which the accident occurred.	5th May 1875.
Nature of the Accident.	Some earth slipped from the side of a foundation and fell on and killed a cooly named Pera Plannan working on the foundation.
Nature of Assistance afforded.	One first aid and body as far as the waist was supported within a minute and the deceased was entirely extricated from the earth within ten minutes. But he was quite dead before that time.
Occupation of the deceased.	Cooly
Gratuity proposed to be given or not.	The deceased was in the employ of a contractor who can give a gratuity or not, as he likes, to the family of the deceased.
Reported to the Police authorities.	Office and to the Sub. Magistrate of Gyanathum.
Remarks.	The authorities held an inquest. A copy of their verdict will be forwarded as soon as received.

To The Consulting Engineer
for Railways

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Consulting 5th May 1875 }

Consulting Engineer
 for Draftsmen
 for information
 7th. of Nov. 1875
 12 Ave. of the Great St. Bernard
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Barthold Anderson
Chief Engineer

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President Engineer
Protective works

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The Agent and Manager.

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*The Consulting Engineer
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2. The accident occurred at the Koonathur bridge and a statement of the verdict/judgment with English translation/found at the inquest is enclosed. This does not impute negligence to anyone, and the accident appears to have been caused by the earth becoming saturated with water.

ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Madras Lt. R. E.,
for Railways.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

Madras, 28 June 187

accident, approx-
earth becoming saturated with water.
CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
Madras, 28 June 1870. } *Witnessed* St. R. B.
for Consgr. Engineer for Railways.
To Government.

To

The Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George.

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT

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From
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

To
The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort St. George.

Dated *28th June* 1875

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Enclosures. 3

Report of the
accident at the
Loomisville Bridge
on 5 May 1955

With regard

the Political Department

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To The Engineer-in-Chief

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Fatal Accident - (By)
Endowment from the
Engineer-in-Chief
papers referring to -
to a cooly at the Government
Bridge at the City
Recorded & referred to the
Judicial Dept.

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At - 2-7-75 P.O. 8/4/75
Despatch 29-6-75

With order